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G.O. No. 2032. P.H

Dated 22-11-1948.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Medical- Indian Medical Association, Andhra Provincial Branch- Resolutions passed in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conf Orders Passed.

Copy of letter, dated 7th April 1948, from Dr.M.V. Krishnarao, B.A.M.B.B.S., Dr.D. Rajasekhararao, M.B.B.S., Indian Medical Association, Ellore, to the Honourable Minister for Public Health, Fort St. George ~~Gazette~~. Madras.

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Dear Sir,

I am herewith enclosing a copy of the Resolutions adopted in 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference held at Nellore on 29-3-1948 under the Presidentship of Dr.M.V. Krishna Rao, B.A.M.B.B.S. for your information and necessary action.

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Resolutions passed at Nellore in 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference on 29-8-48.

1. While welcoming the opening of an L.F. Hospital by Government at Munagala for relief to refugees; this conference regrets and protests against the manner in which Indian Medical Association Hospital at Munagala was occupied by the Government officers in Kistna District on 15-3-1948 before Dr.P. Gurumurty Director of Refugee Hospitals, Andhra Provincial Branch, could reply to the Collecotor's Telegram of 13-3-1948 and letter received by him on 15-3-48 requesting to hand over the Hospitals and in the absence of the Medical Officer in charge.

2. This conference calls upon the Madras Government to unconditionally recognize the Indian Medical Association immediately.

3. Resolved to request the Government of Madras to promote all the existing second calls C.A.S. who are licentiates, to first class if they have completed fifteen years of service automatically.

4. Resolved to request the Government of Madras to confirm all the existing temporary C.A.S. of the class I and II in the existing vacancies before they enlist fresh recruits.

5. Resolved to request the Government to take into special consideration when they regularise the services, the cases of such of the R.M.P.s ~~with ten or more~~ who had been recruited as Temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons, Class II, R.M.Ps. with ten or more years rural service and absorb them in the existing and future vacancies, waiving age limits if any, or fixing the age in their case as forty (40) in justice to their long rural service and professional experience.

6. This conference strongly recommends to the Government to take early steps and Provincialise the local Board Medical services and direct the local Board Authorities to sanction the same scale of pay to local Board Officers as now paid to the Government Medical Officers, pending Provincialisation.

7. Resolved to request the Governemant of Madras to stop production by legislative measures of Dalda and Vanaspathi as they have got deliterious effect on the Digestive System of the Human body, leading to nurtitional disorders.

8. It is the considered opinion of the conference that the problem of community health in this country can be solved only by nationalisation of Medical Service and the Drug industries.

9. Resolved to urge on the Government to immediately sanction and start a (a) Public Health Institue (b) a Tuberculosis Institute and Sanitorium at Vizagapatam.

10. (a) This conference resolves that the members of Medical service should be completely debarred from Private practice immediately.

(b) That the basic pay of assistant surgeons should be increased to the same as that of the members of the same status in other departments.

(c) That in each teaching institutions the professorship should be extended to all the Specialist subjects that are separately taught to the under graduate students as otherwise no first rate men will take to specialities and these subjects are likely to advance.

(d) Resolved that the Government shall not give the dignity of Professorship to a lecturer in any speciality as it is too high a jump from a lecturer who is an assistant surgeon to that of Professorship which is higher than that a reader or Civil Surgeon.

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(e) Resolved that there should be no Honorary staff in teaching institutions.

(f) Resolved that the research departments shall be opened in Medical Colleges connected with Hospitals where there are plenty of clinical materials.

11. Resolved that for all inter-National assemblies, committee meetings only Indian Nationals should be sent as delegates to represent the Government.

12. Resolved that this Conference does not appreciate the fact that the Government having found it possible to send away on a particular day every foreign national occupying high positions like professors, specialists and administrative officers, hands over the leprosy Hospital at Tirumani, though built, equipped and financially supported by the Government to Foreign Missionaries when there are competent persons to manage the same and request the Government to take back the management and appoint an Indian National as Superintendent and Director of Hospital.

13. This conference considers its undesirable that whole time port medical officers in Indian Ports should be allowed private shipping practice entering into competition with the independent medical profession.

(Sd) D. Rajasekhararao,
Honorary Secretary.

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Jr Superintendent,
Madras Record Office.

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Endorsement 26680 G1/48-1, Public Health, dated 30-4-48.

Sub: Resolutions adopted in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference.

Ref: From the Honoarary Secretary, Indian Medical Association, Ellore, dated 7-4-48.

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A copy of the resolutions adopted in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference held at Nellore on 29-3-48 is communicated to the Surgeon-General. It is requested to offer his remarks on the various resolutions contained therein.

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To
The Surgeon-General
(with pp 7-11 in original)

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Medical Department.

Copy of letter No.28946-1-E2, dated 16-7-1948, From Col. S.L. Bhatia, C.I.E., M.C., M.A., M.D., (Cantab., F.R.C.P.(Lond) F.R.S., (E), Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, Madras-6, to the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department, Madras.

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Sub: Resoluctions adopted in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference.

Ref: Government-endorsement No.26680-G2/48-1, Public Health, dated 30th April 1948.

My remarks on the various resolutions passed at the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference held at Nellore on 29-3-1948 are forwarded herewith seriatim:-

1. Provincialisation of Mungala Hospital. The allegations levelled against the Government Officers are not true. The Hospital at Munagala has not yet been taken over by Government, It was alleged by Dr. P.Gurumurthy of Nellore that the District Board Medical Officers posted by the Special Officer got the locks of the hospital broken and took charge of all things forcibly in spite of the protest of the compounder. The Special Officer and Collector Kistna reported that about hundred prisoners and a number of rgfugees were awaiting medical treatment at Munagala and the medical officer attached to the Indian Medical Associationwho was in charge of the hospital was not available at that time. He therefore, had to issue immediate orders directing the District Board medical officer to take charge of the Munagala hospital and to attend to the medical relief of the patients. The Government have been addressed for the provincialisation of the Local Fund Hospital, Munagala and their orders are awaited.

2. Recognition of Indian Medical Association. There is no objection to the recognition of the Indian Medical Association provided the Association satisfies the conditions annexed to G.O.No.1160, Public (~~Services~~ General) dated 11-5-48.

3. Promotion of Civil Assistant Surgeons Class II, to Class I. The question was already considered by the Government in consultation with the Surgeon-General and it has been decided that it is not possible to accept the above resolution as promotion depends upon the number of vacancies available in the cadre of Civil Assistant Surgeons Class I. The acceptance of the above resoluti will automatically result in converting Sub-Assistant Surgeons' posts into Civil Assistant Surgeons posts. This would mean enormou cost to Government and therefore cannot be given effect to.

4. Confirmation of Civil Assistant Surgeons Class I and II. The Madras Public Service Commission, has since completed the recruitment of war service candidates in the vacancies reserved for them, and they have drawn up a list of successful candidates for being appointed in the Vacancies reserved for them. They have been, however, appointed only on a temporary basis. The recruitment of civilians who have been holding the appointment during the period of war has not yet begun. If this is completed, the question of determining the seniority of all these candidates will have to be decided by the Government and the question of confirmation will be taken up only after they complete the period of probation, the date from which it should be begun by the candidates is also another point yet to be decided.

5. Waiving of age limit. The question of waiving the age limit and absorbing the temporary Civil Assistant Surgeons, Class II, who had previously served as Rural Medical Practitioners with ten

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or more years of service, will have to be taken up by Government when they fill up the Civilian vacancies which arose on or after 1-4-47. A reference, in this connection, is solicited to this office letter No.R.13762-H/48 dated 18-2-48 offering remarks on resolution of the conference of the subsidised Rural Medical Practitioners Association held on 13-9-1947 and the G.O.No.Ms. 1196, Public Health, dated 15-4-48 passed thereon.

6. Provincialisation of Local Board Medical Sources. The question raised by the Andhra Provincial Medical Conference was already considered by the Government and they have passed orders in G.O.No.52, Public Health, dated 7-1-48 passed thereon.

7. Production of Dalda and Vansspati. The question is already under the consideration of Government. Their attention is solicited to this office letter Ref.No.30299-Res.II, dated 3-9-47 in reply to their endorsement No. 31428/47-1.G3.Public Health, dated 26-4-47. It has been suggested that the Government should not encourage starting any more factories manufacturing hydrogenated facts and also their use in the Government hospitals and other Governments Institutions till the final results of the investigation started by the Government of India in the matter are received.

8. Nationalisation of Medical Service and Drug Industries.

There is no proposal at present for the nationalisation of Medical service and drug industries.

9. (a) Starting of Public Health Institute. It is presumed that the term "Public Health Institute" used in this resolution refers to the regional laboratory proposed to be started at Vizagapatam.

Proposals have been submitted to Government for the establishment of Regional Laboratories at Madura and Vizagapatam to provide for a Public Health Laboratory practice at these stations including:-

(1) Full Bactoriological and Serological Examinations.
(2) Examination of water from Protected water supplies.
(3) Examination of food samples received in connection with the prevention of Adultertion Act.
(4) Distribution of Biologicals such as Cholera, and T.A.B. vaccine and various stock vaccines and therapoutic sera etc.

Orders in the matter are awaited.

9. (b) Tuberculosis Sanatorium. Under the Postwar Scheme No.102, here is a proposal to established a Tuberculosis Sanatorium with 00 beds at Waltair. The Government have, however, suggested that he proposal may be deferred for consideration in the 2nd quinuennium of the Post War period on account of financial stringency nd their final orders in the matter are awaited.

10 (a) Private practice. Under the existing rules, members of he teaching staff and some holding some appcialist appointment are ompletely debarred from private practice and some allowed restricted rivate practice in with adequate compensation for loss for private ractice in consideration of the ~~period~~ present scales of pay. Un ess the scales of pay are revised attractively, the present concession of closing private practice to the extent now permitted annot be withdrawn.

(b) Revision of scale of pay. The Government have recently aised the sclae of pay of the Civil Assistant Surgeons and it is ot likely that it will be revised further so soon.

(c) Professorship in minor specialists departments. The question of creating professorship in minor specialist departments was donsidered before and the view was held that from the University stand point no professorship can be created in these 'minor' specialist departments, Ear, Nose and Throat Radiology etc. which are only sub departments of the major specialities of medicine, surgery etc. Sanction was accordingly obtained for the grant of supernumery Civil Surgeons rank to Senior Assistant Surgeons employed in the specialist departments - vide G.O.No.588, Public Health, dated 17-2-48. In individual cases the title of Professor is given as a mark of personal distinction. It would appear that this arrangement in satisfactory and may be continued,

The creation of professorships in minor specialist departments will involve considerable extra expenditure to Government.

(d) Professorship to a Lecturer. The resolution may be agreed to.

(e) Honorary Staff in Teaching Institutions.

The appointment of Honorary Medical Officers in teaching Medical Institutions was already considered by the Special Committee appointed by the Surgeon-General and by the Medical and Education Committee appointed by the Government and have decided that there should be Honorary Medical Officers in teaching ~~of the public.~~ Hospitals also as this is the only method of meeting demands of the public.

(f) Opening of Research Departments in Medical Colleges.

A limited amount of research work in already being carried out in the Medical Colleges to the extent of facilities available by the teaching staff employed in each college.

11. Indian Nationals to be sent to meetings. This is being done.

12. Leprosy Hospital at Tirumani. The Government have taken over the management of the Lady Willgdon Leprosy Sanatorium, Tirumani, from 1-4-1948. The question of the appointing an Indian National as Superintendent of the Sanatorium will be considered in due course.

13. Private practice to post Medical Officers. The remarks of the Director of Public Health, Madras, in the matter have been called for and a further report will be sent to Government on this item.

Yours faithfully,

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for Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

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Education and Public Health.

The further report referred to at 'A' above may be awaited ~~may-be~~ till 15-8-48.

No objection but in the meantime other resolutions may be noted on.

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Jr/Superintendent
Madras Record Office.

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Copy of letter No.R.28946 E2, dated 5th October 1948, from Col. S.L. Bhatia, CIE.MC.MA.MD (CANTAB) FRCP(LOND) FRS(E), Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department, Madras.

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Sub: Resolutions - Adopted in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference Further report - Submitted.

Ref: This office Ref.28946-1 E2 dated 16-7-1948.

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In continuation of this office letter under reference, I forward herewith a copy of letter * L.Dis.No.49917-Epi/48 dated 25-9-1948 from the Director of Public Health, Madras with regard to the points raised in Resolution No.13 of the Andhra Provincial Medical Conference, on 29-3-1948.

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Madras Record Office.
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C Copy of letter.

In regard to the point raised in Resolution No.13 of the Andhra Provincial Medical Conference on 29-3-48. I wish to point out that Port Health Officers are not permitted to have any Private practice, and so the question of their competing with the independent medical profession does not arise.

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SUPERINTENDENT,
Madras Record Office,
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Abstract.

Association - Medical - Indian Medical Association, Andhra Provincial Branch - Resolutions passed in the 14th Andhra Provincial Medical Conference - Orders passed.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No.3932. Dated 22-11-1948.

Read the following:-

From the Honorary Secretary of the Association, letter No. dated 7-4-48.

From the Surgeon-General, No.28946-1-E2, dated 16-7-48 and 5-10-48.

ORDER:

The Government have carefully considered the various resolutions passed by the 14th Andhra Provincial ~~Conference~~ Medical Conference held at Nellore on 29-3-48 and they proceed to pass the following orders:-

Resolution 1. Taking over of the Munagala Hospital by Government:- A copy of the remarks of the Surgeon-General in the matter with which the Government agree is communicated to the Honorary Secretary of the Indian Medical Association (Andhra Provincial Branch) for information.

Resolution 1. Unconditional recognition of the Indian Medical Association:- This request cannot be complied with.

Resolution 3. Promotion of Civil Assistant Surgeons Class II to Class I automatically if they have completed 15 years of service.: The Government decline to comply with this request.

Resolution 4. Confirmation of Civil Assistant Surgeons, Classes I and II:- This request cannot be agreed to.

Resolution 5. Waiver of age limit and absorption of temporary ~~and~~ Civil Assistant Surgeons Class II:- Individual cases for waiver of age limit would be considered by Government of the Madras Public Service Commission considers them otherwise suitable.

Resolution 6. Provincialisation of Local Board Medical Services: ~~:~~ This question was already considered and orders in the matter have been issued in G.O.No.52, Public Health, dated 7-1-48.

Resolution 7. Preventing production of Dalda and Vanaspathi: This question will be taken up for consideration ~~under~~ in due course

Resolution 8. Nationalisation of Medical Service and Drug Industries :~~:~~ This ~~is~~ a matter for the Government of India.

~~Resolution~~ Resolution 9. (a)- Starting of Public Health ~~Industri-~~ Institute:- The question of opening Regional Laboratories at Vizagapatam and Madura has been deferred by Government.

(b) Establishment of a T.B. Sanitorium at Vizagapatam:- Post War Development Scheme No.102 ~~of~~ of this Province contemplates the establishment of ~~a~~ T.B. Sanatorium with 100 beds at Waltair. But this proposal may be taken up for consideration only during the 2nd quinquennium of the Post War period.

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Resolution 10. (a) Members of the Medical Services should be debarred from Private Practice.

(b) Enhancement of the pay of Civil Assistant Surgeons.

(c) In teaching institutions professorship should be extended to all the Specialist subjects.

(d) Dignity of Professorship should not be given to a Lecturer: All the above items are under consideration in connection with the question of reorganisation of the Medical Department.

(e) There should be no Honorary staff in teaching institutions. This question has already been considered and dropped.

(f) Opening of Research Departments in Medical Colleges. A limited ~~amount~~ amount of research work is already being carried out in the Medical Colléges to the extent of facilities available by the teaching staff employed in each college.

Resolution 11. Indian Nationals to be sent to meetings of all Inter-National Assemblies: This is being done.

Resolution 12. Appointment of an Indian National for the Lady Willington Leprosy Sanatorium, Tirumani as Medical Superintendent: This will be considered in due course.

Resolution 13. Private practice to Port Medical Officers should not be permitted:-The Post Health Officers are not permitted even at present to have any private practice.

To the Honorary Secretary, Indian Medical Association,
(Andhra Provincial Branch), Nellore, West Godavari District.
Copy to the SSurgeon-General.
Copy to Deputy Secretary, Education and Public Health Department.

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for SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS RECORD OFFICE,
29-8-1953.

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